

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Applicant: <b>KIKUSHIMA et al.</b>	Confirmation No. <b>5610</b>
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Title: <b>OPTICAL TRANSMITTING APPARATUS, OPTICAL TRANSMISSION SYSTEM, OPTICAL TRANSMITTING METHOD AND OPTICAL TRANSMISSION METHOD</b>	This Amendment was electronically filed on January 27, 2010, using US PTO's EFS- Website
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated October 26, 2009, the time for response having been extended by payment of a one-month extension fee, Applicants file a Request for Continued Examination, and hereby respectfully submit the following:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper